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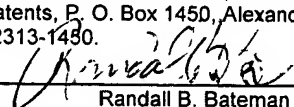
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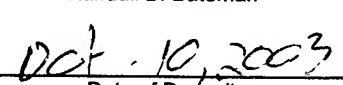
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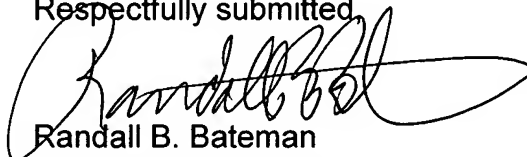
attorney of record believes that the references listed, together with any other references which may have been previously submitted or listed, are the closest to the claimed invention (taken in its entirety) of which the undersigned is presently aware, and no reference which is more relevant to the claimed invention (taken in its entirety) has been knowingly withheld.

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